

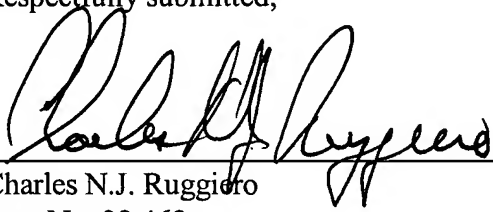
**REMARKS**

Claims 1 through 42 are pending in the application, of which claims 29 through 42 are newly added.

The present application is a U.S. national stage entry of PCT/EP2004/003854. Applicants are amending the claims to remove multiple dependencies. Applicants are also adding claims. Favorable consideration is respectfully urged.

Respectfully submitted,

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